

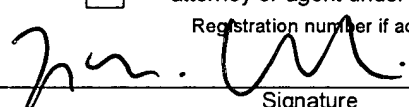


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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>FY 2005</b><br>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)  |            | <b>Docket Number (Optional)</b><br>291958117US1 |           |
| <b>Application Number</b> 10/685,306-Conf. #9845  |            | <b>Filed</b> October 14, 2003                   |           |
| <b>For</b> APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING A MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE USING METROLOGY  |            |   |           |
| <b>Art Unit</b> 2857  |            | <b>Examiner</b> Not Yet Assigned                |           |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.<br>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): |            |   |           |
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| I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.   |            |   |           |
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